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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 468
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A RESOLUTION to recognize and thank Brian Dauer, House Research Analyst, for his service to the General Assembly.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly pause in its deliberations to recognize those outstanding staff members who have provided exemplary professional service in the course of their employment and who are now departing for other professional opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Brian Dauer, Research Analyst III for the Tennessee House of Representatives, is one such outstanding staff person who during his three years with the House Research office has performed in a consistently superior manner to fulfill his duties; and

WHEREAS, Brian has accepted a position with the Minnesota House of Representatives and his last day of work with the General Assembly is Thursday, February 18, 2000; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dauer earned a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis in 1993, with a major in Economics and a minor in German. During his undergraduate career he was president of the Centennial Residence Hall Association, won the

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Presidential Leadership Award, and attended the Karl Franzes Universitat in Graz, Austria in the Spring of 1991; and

WHEREAS, following his graduation, Brian enrolled in Creighton University School of Law in Omaha, Nebraska, earning his J.D. degree in 1996. While at Creighton he participated in the International Moot Court Competition, was a writer - *Per Curiam* - for the law school's newspaper, and participated in the Trial Practice and Alternative Dispute Resolution seminar; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dauer's first employment was as an intern with the City Attorney's Office in Council Bluffs, Iowa where he assisted the City Prosecutor in prosecuting misdemeanors in arraignment court and researched legal issues pertinent to city affairs; and

WHEREAS, Brian then looked south, accepting a position as Reorganization Specialist for the Custody Reorganization Department of Banker's Trust Services in Tennessee in October 1996. From October to November he solicited and processed client responses with regard to tender offers, consents and mergers and informed client holders of future corporate actions; and

WHEREAS, in January 1997, Mr. Dauer accepted employment as a Research Analyst for the Tennessee House of Representatives Research Division. He worked for the House Commerce Committee, chaired by Representative Shelby Rhinehart and the House Conservation and Environment Committee, chaired by Representative Jerry Cross in 1997; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, Brian continued his work for the Conservation and Environment Committee and undertook work for the House Children and Family Affairs Committee, Chaired by Representative Brenda Turner. He also provided staff assistance to the Waste Tires Study Committee, the Day Care Study Committee and the Study Committee for Long-Term Care for the Elderly and Disabled; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, Mr. Dauer continued his work for the Conservation and Environment Committee, now chaired by Representative Don Ridgeway, and for the Children and Family Affairs Committee, now chaired by Representative Carol Chumney. He was also

the lead Research Analyst for the Ad hoc Committee on School Safety Issues, chaired by Speaker Pro Tempore Lois M. DeBerry, and compiled and wrote the committee report, which was completed in September 1999; and

WHEREAS, Brian's last assignment was with the House Judiciary Committee, chaired by Representative Frank Buck. Succumbing to the siren call of the invigorating, if tundralike climate of the Upper Mid-West, he accepted the invitation of the Minnesota House to leave the debilitating languor of subtropical Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Tennessee General Assembly, and particularly the members and staff of the House of Representatives, will miss Brian Dauer's commitment to excellence, leadership and professional competence; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the General Assembly expresses its thanks to Brian Dauer for his exemplary service as a Research Analyst for the House of Representatives, a record which establishes a model for those who follow him.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our regret that he will be leaving Tennessee and wish him every success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.